

On the first Pioneer Day, August 27, 1915, Sheldon Norton gave his boyhood recollections. A typed copy of most of that text was preserved by Lois T. (Norton) Curtis, and it is from a xerographic copy of Lois Norton's typed copy of those recollections that the author typed the text that is given below. The text of Sheldon Norton's boyhood recollections that has come down to us through LNC is entitled 'CLINTON PIONEERS THEIR MEMORY VENERATED by E. M. Peck Pioneer Day Sept. 7, 1915.' This text was probably put together by E. M. Peck because Lois Curtis added that information in her typed copy. The first and third paragraphs are written in the third person--most probably written by the person who typed this copy of Sheldon Norton's recollections--and the remainder of the text is written from the first person perspective of Sheldon Norton. The date on the typed copy that belonged to Lois Curtis, in addition, is in error: Pioneer Day in 1915 was on August 27. The date, September 7, 1915, is probably the date that an account of the 1915 Pioneer Day celebration was published in *The Wayne Independent*.

In his recollections, Sheldon Norton speaks of the following Clinton Township pioneer families: Peck, Stanton, Stearns, McMullen, Norton, Grennell, Gaylord, Sanders, Griswold. In addition, he refers to the following persons by name: Asa Stanton, Deacon Davenport, Squire West, Alva Norton, Sylvester North, Deacon Rufus Grennell, Reuben Peck, Elder Curtis, Ensign McMullen, Brother Randall, Horace Griswold, David Sanders, Sidney Norton, Milo Gaylord, Samuel Lee, Deacon E. K. Norton, Francis Griswold, Mrs. Francis Griswold, Mrs. Horace Griswold, Mrs. Davenport, Mrs. North, Mrs. Alva Norton, Mrs. Reuben Peck, and Mrs. Sheldon Norton.